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Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of patent application Serial No. 09/887,651, filed on June 21, 2001, and entitled GRAPH-BASED METHOD FOR MULTI-BODIED SWEEP TERMINATIONS, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred.

- ☒ An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is attached.
- ☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below in the "Claims as Filed" table.

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Claims Remaining:	Highest Number Previously Paid For:	Number Extra	Rate	Fee
Basic Filing Fee				\$770.00
Total Claims				
57	57	0	x \$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims				
3	3	0	x \$86.00 =	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE				\$770.00

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2004, which was made final, and subsequent to the response under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 submitted on June 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.